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## Weather Indications.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Forecast till 8 p. m. Thursday: For Kansas—Showers today and in eastern portion tonight; fair Thursday and in western portion tonight; northwesterly winds.

The Neodesha schools were closed last week on account of scarlet fever.

The work of rebuilding the burned business houses at Hartford was begun yesterday.

A new music teacher has located at Salina and is preparing to conduct a school on a large scale.

"SILVER laced Wyandotte eggs," advertised at Newton, were probably laid by hens that had been frequently shooed.

The county line dispute between Ford and Edwards counties is still unsettled and assault and battery cases still pour into court.

PATSY CURTIS, 2-16½, Abilene's joy, has been sold to St. Louis men for the equivalent of \$8,000. Local pride will now center in the Lanier circle.

ELIZA PARKHURST is the name of an old soldier at Ft. Scott whose pension has been decreased. His name ought to have saved him from enlistment.

A WICHITA man who was ordered to pay his wife \$5 per week alimony pending divorce, couldn't pay and was locked up in jail, so the woman is just as well pleased.

TRAMPS who strike Hutchinson get such an abundance of things to eat that people go out to their camping place and gather up the scraps for their pigs and chickens.

EMPORIA young men who won't do the proper thing and go to church with the girls, linger around until the service is over. Sooner all they have to "wait on the Lord."

THE Citizen thinks the assessment of Fredonia real estate will be about as hard a job as any trustee ever tackled. After he takes half the valuation he will have to work in minus quantities.

THE Muscotah delegation of nine men to the Atchison county Republican convention all went to church the night before the meeting. For some reason they seem to have wanted to avoid the politicians.

ONE of the merchants at Madison has offered two dollars and a half in gold for the best adder in the book-keeping class of the public schools. The pupil that can multiply up into the 12s doesn't have a show at all.

THE Emporia College Life has been devoting about two columns a week to the question, "What is Plagiarism?" It seems useless to define when one can hear, but perhaps the editors didn't attend the state contest.

It appears, if the dispatches from Council Bluffs are correct, that Governor Jackson of Iowa, did a singularly unpopular thing in calling out the militia to meet the so-called "industrial army," headed by Commander Kelly. It seems that Kelly's men are not tramps in the ordinary sense of the term. They are mechanics and laboring men out of work. They were received cordially at Omaha by 50,000 people, given plenty of food and sent on their way rejoicing. If they can be sent east, where they can secure work, so much the better for them and so much the better for the west. Why Governor Jackson should insist on corralling them at Council Bluffs and making them stay there to become a burden on the citizens of his own state is past comprehension.

## NOT SO BAD AS IT LOOKS.

This paper today prints the annual report of the city treasurer for the year ending April 1st. The report develops the rather startling fact that the disbursements for the year exceeded the receipts by \$66,908.53.

This apparent deficiency is covered, however, by a balance on hand at the first of last year amounting in round numbers to \$200,000, so that the sum on hand at the commencement of the present fiscal year is merely reduced \$66,000. The cause of the deficiency is not shown by the treasurer's report, but it will be explained at least in part in the

incompleted annual report of City Clerk McFadden. It is estimated that the city has received \$40,000 less this year to pay its running expenses than a year ago. The abolition of the poll-tax is responsible for about \$10,000 of this. The remainder of the amount which would have been paid into the various city funds by the county treasurer, has not been paid largely on account of two acts of the last legislature relating to taxes: one doing away with the March penalty, and the other reducing the rate of interest on tax sale certificates from 24 to 15 per cent. The latter act makes the certificates an undesirable security to those who have held them, on the ground that they can make better use of their money elsewhere.

Apprehending such a showing at the end of the fiscal year, the mayor and council early last fall began measures of retrenchment to reduce the deficit between receipts and expenditures. These measures have been only slightly relaxed since, and to this retrenchment is no doubt due the fact that the deficit is not doubly large. This abnormal shortage, however, teaches those controlling the strings of the city purse that strict economy the year round is more desirable and accompanied by better results than a maximum of "retrenchment" in a minimum of time. The city has not the money at its disposal it used to have, and hopes to have again sometime, but an exercise of good business sense will obtain the results the taxpayers demand and the city desires. While there is probably no irreparable harm done by this year's shortage, the city administration we are sure, will profit by the experience and score another kind of showing another spring.

## WE NEED A UNION DEPOT.

Following the announcement that the Burlington and the Alton have hopes of reaching Topeka soon, comes the thought that Topeka needs a union depot. There is no convenience to the present system here, and nearly every citizen of the city can testify to it from personal experience. The objections are too numerous for enumeration, but they are mentioned so often in private and on the street, that no citizen can say they do not exist. It is a fact then that there is a demand from the public for a union depot at Topeka. The location is of secondary importance of course, but it is suggested that the least troublesome to establish would be in the locality of the present Rock Island passenger depot. This would make it central for both the public and the railroads. The Santa Fe, the Rock Island and the Missouri Pacific could reach this point easier than any other and the Union Pacific has the choice of two railroad bridges on which to make arrangements to cross the river. The railroads themselves would be as much benefited as anyone probably, and if the demand was rightly presented to the officials by the public they would perhaps be glad to take the matter under advisement. Smaller towns than Topeka have union depots and they secured them through the united efforts of their citizens. Let the idea expand.

## SUPPRESSING NEWS.

The trouble at the city prison was prompted by no one on the outside. The management is perhaps not unlike the preceding one, but it remains as a fact that then mutinies and strikes were seldom heard of. Then the newspapers were given unlimited latitude and a reporter was never refused permission to look to a prisoner. Now the reporter is looked upon as an aggressor and is not permitted either to speak to the prisoners or see the jail book.

The management may be all right, but why such precautions to keep the public posted only on one side of the story? A man is not a brute because he is confined in the city prison. It is understood that in no other jail under the sun are such unfair regulations made. Every day one reads of interviews with prisoners. Reporters are given frequent access to Praterdast. In this city those confined in the county jail are allowed to talk to reporters who ask to see them.

## PANIC AT A FAIR.

Church Tower Falls Into the Market Place at Pradisch, Moravia.

CRAICOW, April 18.—A fire at Pradisch, Moravia, destroyed the ladies' school, the hotel, Franciscan monastery and the church tower, which fell into the market place. The annual market was being held at Pradisch at the time and consequently large numbers of people were present at the conflagration in addition to the regular inhabitants. The fall of the church tower caused a panic during which a number of people were injured by being trampled upon. No loss of life is reported.

## HOUSES UNDERMINED

By the Floods in Armenia—Many People Killed.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 18.—Dispatches from Armenia announce that many disasters from the floods and snow falls in the district of Van and Ezeroum. Houses and stores which had been undermined by the floods had collapsed and many people have been killed. In addition large numbers of cattle have been drowned.

## A Bad Break in Rates.

St. Louis, April 18.—The western trunk line committee, an adjunct to the Western Freight association, is here and held a meeting with many representative traffic men of the west present. While the meeting was held behind closed doors, it is learned that there has been a bad break in rates west of the Mississippi river.

What makes a house a home? The mother well, the children rosy, the father in good health and good humor. All brought about by the use of De Witt's Sarsaparilla. It recommends itself. J. E. Jones.

## WEALTH WEDS BEAUTY.

And New York Gossips Are Surprised by the Old, Old Story.

Howard Gould is to follow in the footsteps of his brother George and marry an actress. The authorized announcement of his engagement to Miss Odette Tyler, a member of a well known theatrical company, was one of the recent nine days' wonders in New York social and theatrical circles, and now the gossips are on the tiptoe of expectancy in regard to the wedding. This will probably not occur until after the 1st of June, for Miss Tyler's contract with her theatrical manager does not expire till then, and she has signified her intention of completing that engagement first.

Miss Tyler belongs to a good Tennessee family and was born in Nashville. Her father is General W. W. Kirtland, a member of the Southern society of New York, and she is the granddaughter of General Hardee, the author of Hardee's "Military Tactics." Miss Ty-



HOWARD GOULD AND MISS TYLER.

ler began her career on the stage in "Featherbrain" seven years ago and has played successfully ever since. Her greatest hit was made in "The Comedian's Wife," in which she played the title role. Miss Tyler was formerly the wife of Edgar P. Crissman, now a clerk in the New York custom house, but after two years of married life she secured a divorce on statutory grounds.

Howard Gould is the third son of Jay Gould and was born in New York city in 1871. He was educated at a well known private school in New York and studied for a year at Columbia college, but did not like it and left to go into his father's office three years ago. He is now a director in the principal Gould companies and is said to have won the kindly regard of his older and more experienced business associates. He lives at Tarrytown and is one of the executors and trustees of his father's estate, the others being George J., Edwin and Helen M. Gould.

Jay Gould's will provided that his estate, after certain specific bequests had been deducted, should be divided into six equal parts, each of the six children to receive the income of one of these parts for life, with power to dispose of the share by will. The amount to be thus divided was about \$68,000,000, so that each of Mr. Gould's children receives the income of at least \$11,000,000. There is a provision in the will that in case any of the children shall marry without the consent of a majority of the executors and trustees the share of such child shall be reduced one-half.

## BOWDOIN'S NEW BUILDING.

A Handsome and Costly Structure Devoted to Science.

Edward F. Searles, who married the widow of Mark Hopkins, one of the builders of the Central and Southern Pacific railroads, and on her death inherited the railroad man's millions, has presented Bowdoin college with a handsome and costly new structure, named in honor of his dead wife the Mary F. Searles Science building. It is now nearly completed and will be ready for occupancy during the coming summer. With the furnishings and equipment for the scientific departments the gift represents an outlay of over \$250,000. The building is three stories in height, with the front facing a large campus, and in line with the Walker art building, which is in process of construction. The architect, Henry Vaughan of Boston, has selected the Elizabethan style of architecture, and the building is one of the handsomest that any eastern college possesses. Its exterior walls are of light red pressed face brick, with cream buff Amherst sandstone trimmings. The interior walls are of brick, and only a few of the rooms are plastered. The floors are of mill construction and fire-



SEARLES SCIENCE BUILDING AT BOWDOIN. proof, and the staircases and ornaments are of iron. All the hallway floors and those in the chemical laboratories are paved with red unglazed tiles.

The building consists of three distinct departments, arranged for the study of chemistry, physics and biology, each having a separate entrance and being without connection one with another. The chemical and physical departments occupy the first and second floors and the biological department the whole of the third floor.

The chemical and physical departments each have on the ground floor a general laboratory 60 by 81 feet and a smaller laboratory 36 by 32 feet, a professor's laboratory and private room, also apparatus and dark room. On the second floor there is a lecture hall 60 by 81 feet, seating 117 students.

The biological department has a general laboratory 60 by 81 feet, a museum 30 by 40 feet, a lecture hall 36 by 26 feet, a physiological laboratory, preparation room, a professor's laboratory and a greenhouse, while there is also a hall reserved for the department of geology and mineralogy.

In the basement there are battery, gas analysis, assay furnace, magnetic, constant temperature and alcohol rooms, and also quarters for the janitor. The building is excellently lighted throughout, roomy and airy, and has every modern convenience and improvement in heating, plumbing and ventilation.

## A NEW NOVELIST.

Mrs. Mannington Caffyn Has Taken the English Reading Public by Storm.

"A Yellow Aster" is the most notably successful among the English novels of recent date, and the sensation it has created is said to have disturbed the triumphal progress of "The Heavenly Twins," a book that has sold more copies to the week than any fiction printed in a long time.



MRS. CAFFYN.

It is the strange story of a beautiful girl trained by scientific parents in a scientific way, without any idea of religious belief except as a matter of historical study, and without any sense of human affection, even for her parents. Its purpose is to protest against loveless marriages, and its author has expressed the hope that it may open the eyes of mothers and daughters to the enormity of such alliances.

The identity of the author of the book was veiled for awhile by her pen name, "Iota," but when the success of her work was assured she let it be known that she was Mrs. Mannington Caffyn, the wife of a London physician. She is an Irish woman of good birth, her parents coming of old families. On the father's side she is related to the De Veres, but otherwise the family is without noteworthy literary connections.

Nor was Mrs. Caffyn's early training especially adapted to encourage a literary bent. She was educated entirely at home, all her early years being spent in the country, where she followed the hounds with her father and joined him on his shooting expeditions. When a stepmother appeared upon the scene, the young woman left home to study hospital nursing, and while engaged in this laudable work she met and married Dr. Mannington Caffyn. The husband soon fell ill, and they were forced to seek the Australian climate, and in that far region he regained his health. It was in the bush that a large part of "A Yellow Aster" was written.

## FATHER OF WHALEBACK.

Alexander McDougall's Career Full of Encouragement For Young Men.

The career of Captain Alexander McDougall, the inventor of the whaleback steamer and founder and general manager of the largest shipbuilding concern in America today, is full of interest and encouragement for the youth of the country, re-enforcing the old lessons about the victory of him who perseveres in the face of the most discouraging circumstances. After he had conceived the idea of the whaleback and convinced himself of its usefulness and practicability, Captain McDougall kept working along quietly in spite of the incredulity and ridicule of the unappreciative, making model after model, each of which involved improvements on those that had preceded it, until finally one was made that convinced capitalists there was a reasonable hope of profit in the idea.

With capital interested, success was assured. The American Steel Barge company was formed, with Colgate Hoyt as president and Captain McDougall in charge of the yards at West Superior, Wis., where 35 large vessels of the whaleback type have been built, besides any number of smaller craft. The company has now upward of \$5,000,000 in-



vested in vessels, with a total tonnage of 47,350. It has branch yards in Europe and on the Pacific coast, and everything looks as if Captain McDougall's whalebacks had a future before them.

Captain McDougall is a man of strong character and individuality and impresses strangers with the idea that he is a plain, blunt Scotchman, but his friends say that he is modest, confiding and sympathetic. He is 50 years of age and was born in the little village of Port Ellen, on the island ofIslay, off the west coast of Scotland. His mind always had an inventive bent, and it is a significant fact that as a child he was constantly whittling out miniature vessels and sailing them in the inlets of the sea.

The captain's parents brought their family to America while he was a boy and settled in Canada. He took to sailing on the great lakes very early in life, making his first trip as porter on a steamer that sailed between Buffalo and Chicago. He first obtained his title of captain when in command of the steamer A. Scott, which was wrecked on Lake Erie many years ago.

## April Ads. Bring May "Rebates"

To landlords whose ads. for tenants are sent to a newspaper that the people read. Those who trust to a house bill or a paper with little circulation are invariably left to waddle out of a flood of financial difficulties as best they may. A large number of house-hunters is on the move this present month whose line of march is formed from the house-to-rent columns of the STATE JOURNAL. A line or two in those columns will signal it your way. Can you afford to miss it?

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 A ladies' Linen Cape Collar, worth 15c.  
 A spool Filling Silk, worth 5c.  
 A plain black Lawn, worth 12½c.  
 A spool Embroidery Silk.

## 2c WILL BUY

A dozen Metal or Crochet Buttons, worth 15c to 35c.  
 A yard White Lace Insertion, worth 8c.  
 A children's Fancy Border Handkerchief.  
 A yard Machine Torchon Lace.  
 A yd. Herringbone Trimming.  
 A yd. nice Hamburg Edge.

## 3c WILL BUY

Gents' Turkey Red Handkerchief.  
 Fancy Col. Border Dolies.  
 Yard pretty Val Lace.  
 Yard fine Hamburg.  
 Yard narrow Ribbon.

## 4c WILL BUY

Ladies' Fancy Border Handkerchiefs.  
 Yard Standard Print.  
 Yard 4-qrs. Brown Muslin.  
 Dress Braid.  
 Card Best Darning Cotton.

## 5c WILL BUY

Yard fine Challie.  
 Yard Linen Crash.  
 Gents' White Band Bow.  
 Gents' White Button Bow.  
 Pair gents' half fancy Hose.  
 Gents' White P. K. Tie.  
 ½ doz. White String Ties.  
 Pair ladies' White Hose.  
 Doz. gents' Collar Buttons.  
 Pair gents' Drawer Supporters.  
 Child's Summer Vest.  
 Yard No. 7 black Satin Ribbon.

Package good Envelopes.  
 Box Black Pins, jet heads.  
 Fine Dressing Comb.  
 Circle Comb.  
 Pair ladies' Linen Cuffs.  
 Stick Pin.

## 6c WILL BUY

Yd. Amoskeag Apron Gingham.  
 Gents' Fancy Bor. Handk'f.  
 Ladies' Fancy Bor. Handk'f.  
 Ladies' Swiss Ribbed Vest.

## 7c WILL BUY

Pair Child's Brown Mixed Hose.  
 Pair Boy's Brown Mixed Hose.  
 Gents' Plain White Handkerchief.  
 Yard Barred India Linen, worth 8½c.  
 Gents' Fancy Border Handkerchief.

## 8c WILL BUY

Yard Amoskeag Dress Gingham.  
 Yard Printed Pongee, worth 12½c.  
 Gents' 4-ply Collar.  
 Gents' Plain White Handkerchiefs.  
 Pair ladies' Black Hose.

## 9c WILL BUY

Gents' Hemstitched Handkerchief.  
 Pair Gents' Heavy Cotton Socks.  
 Gents' plain White Handkerchief.  
 Child's Windsor Tie—Silk.  
 Dozen Gents' White Lawn Ties.  
 Gents' Initial Handkerchief.  
 Yard Plain 40-inch Victoria Lawn, worth 12½c.  
 Ladies' Fancy Handkerchief.

## 10c WILL BUY

Pair Children's Black Cotton Hose.  
 Pair Ladies' Black Cotton Hose.  
 Pair Ladies' Unbleached Hose.  
 Ladies' Silk Handkerchief.  
 Good Whisk Broom.  
 Silver Hat Pin.  
 Yard Tinsel Dress Trimming, worth 20c, 40c and 60c.  
 Hamburg Edge, worth 14c, 15c and 16c.  
 Tinted Tidy, worth 15c, 25c and 35c.  
 Child's Stamped Bib.  
 Yard Jap Cheese Cloth.  
 Yard Colored Strip Linen Lawn.  
 Circle Comb.

## 12½c WILL BUY

A yard fine Zephyr Gingham, worth 15c.  
 A yd Irish Lawn, worth 15c.  
 A yard Printed Dimities, worth 15c.  
 A child's Stamped Bib.  
 A Rubber Dressing Comb—good.  
 A dozen White Lawn Ties.  
 A pair gent's Seamless Half Hose.  
 A pair ladies' Fast Black Hose.  
 A pair ladies' Unbleached Hose.  
 A children's Black Cotton Hose.  
 A ladies' Unbleached Ribbed Vest.  
 A child's Unbleached Ribbed Vests.  
 A gent's 4-ply Linen Collar.  
 A pair gent's 4-ply Cuffs.  
 A gent's White Band Bow.  
 A Circle Comb.  
 A pair Hose Supporters.  
 A dozen Nickel Safety Pins.  
 A pair Crown Spoon Corset Steels.

## 15c WILL BUY

Yard Fancy White and Black India Linen.  
 Yd. fancy Scotch Gingham.  
 Yd. Bordered Linen Lawn for Aprons.  
 Dozen Rubber Hair Pins.  
 Pair Hose Supporters.  
 Child's Stamped Bib.  
 Ladies' Silk Handkerchief.  
 Pair Berlin Gloves.  
 Pair gent's Fast Black Seamless Hose.  
 Ladies' all Linen White Handkerchiefs.  
 Gent's Silk Teck Tie.  
 Dozen gent's Plain White String Ties.  
 Dozen gent's Fancy White String Ties.  
 Pair ladies' Black Seamless Hose.  
 Gent's Fancy Band Bow.  
 Pair gent's Silk Armlets.  
 Pair gent's Cuff Holder.  
 Pr. gent's fancy striped hose.  
 Pair ladies' Seamless Stripe Hose.  
 Pair boys' Suspenders.  
 Pr. ladies' Seamless Black Hose.  
 Ladies' Bleached Vest.  
 Ladies' Unbleached Vest.  
 Child's Ribbed Vests.  
 Towel 20x40, worth 25c.

## 25c WILL BUY

Hair Brush, worth 30c.  
 Dozen Rubber Hair Pins.  
 Pair of best Dress Shields in town.  
 Yard Mentone Suiting.  
 Yard Plain and Printed China Silk.  
 Yd. Unbleached Table linen.  
 Pr. misses' fine ribbed hose.  
 Pair Infant's Ribbed Hose.  
 Boy's Shirt Waist.  
 Pr. gent's French Tan hose.  
 Pr. gent's Balbriggan Hose.  
 Pr. Gent's h'f hose, 40 gauge.  
 Pr. gent's h'f hose, silk finish.  
 Pr. gent's 4-ply Linen Cuffs.  
 Pr. ladies' Silk Mitts.  
 Pair ladies' Lisle Thread Gloves.  
 Ladies' Fancy Handkerchief.  
 Ladies' Silk Handkerchief.  
 Ladies' All Linen Initial Handkerchief.  
 Boys' Windsor Tie.  
 Gents' Four-in-hand Silk Tie.  
 Gents' Silk Bow, fancy and black.  
 Pair gents' Suspenders.  
 Pair boys' Heavy Bicycle hose.  
 Pair boys' Knee Protectors.  
 Pair ladies' Fine Black Cotton Hose.  
 Pair ladies' Fine Tan Cotton Hose.  
 Pair ladies' Fancy Cotton Hose.  
 Ladies' White Ribbed Vest.  
 Ladies' Unbleached Ribbed Vest.  
 Child's Long Sleeved Ribbed Vests.  
 Child's Seamless-Waist.

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Yd. Bleached Table Linen.  
 Yd. Unbleached Table Linen.  
 Yard Turkey Red Table Linen.  
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